

THE JUNIORS WITH GRAHAM LENEHAN

We expect our teams to give the district club championship a good shake this season. The 18 teams fielded this year, from 7 to All Age, have been turning in some good results in the trial matches against clubs outside our Association. Our three Junior Federation teams, which play in a different competition are also expecting to do well and they bring our total to 21 teams.

Last season we finished 10th and the season before 8th, mainly because we have been competing against clubs with more teams than ourselves.

At the beginning of last season we embarked on a three-year programme to build up the number and quality of our teams. The build-up of teams has been completed ahead of schedule and the quality of play is improving to provide talent for the Federation and Grade teams of the future.

The Canterbury Soccer Association is spending many thousands of dollars this year to improve the standard of play within the district and has engaged a district coach, Paul Ankudinoff, to co-ordinate and develop coaching techniques concentrating on skills rather than physical strength.

In addition to courses and clinics conducted at Edwards Park, Concord, the district coach and his experienced assistants will be available to help individual coaches and teams with their coaching and training sessions at the team's own ground.

It is also proposed to select boys and team coaches who are showing promise during the year and put them through advanced coaching clinics and courses with the Association paying for the expenses.

The assistance and knowledge to be gained by our players and coaches through this undertaking by the Canterbury Association will be of significant benefit to our Club's competitiveness.

A project such as has been planned would be beyond the financial resources of individual junior clubs to undertake and the Canterbury District Soccer Association is to be congratulated.

FEDERATION REPORT WITH RON TREADGOLD

Apia will be contesting the NSW Soccer Federation first division competition this year fielding first, second and third grade teams. The competition commenced on Saturday, 17th March, with Apia having a bye.

The teams making up the division comprise of the five PSL clubs and teams from Blacktown United, Queens Park, North Sydney, Revesby Workers, University of NSW, Wollongong United, Polonia, Belmore, Nepean and Warringah, all very good teams, which should produce some hard games of football. Apia's 2nd and 3rd grades will consist of young local players who have shown that they have talent — 1st grade will have a number of the PSL squad who will periodically play down for many reasons and the balance will be players who have been playing with Apia and Wests over a number of years, and players from other teams who can see a future in playing for Apia.

First division matches commence at 3 pm, with the 3rd grade kicking off at 11.40 am, followed by our second grade at 1.20 pm.

Your presence will be very welcome, so please come along and give these young boys your support.

We will also have three Youth League teams competing in the Under 14, 15, 16 Age groups. These games just as the first division matches are all played at Lambert Park on Saturdays, as the draw and commencing date is not yet known, we will give details at a later date.

These teams are under the coaching control of old Apian stalwarts. These boys are all future Apia players, so please keep your eyes on them, there are some very good footballers in all three teams.

For information concerning first division matches contact the undersigned downstairs most weekday nights at the Club.

Ron Treadgold

WHAT THE CAPTAIN SAYS:

"Today's match is as everyone realises our first game at our home ground, Wentworth Park.

"The team will give 90 minutes' effort to secure the two points against Newcastle United today.

"We are basically a new team, so I

By A.P.I.A. Soccer Club Secretary HARRY AMBROSE The Revival of A.P.I.A.

Our victory over Adelaide City last Sunday at Hindmarsh Stadium was a remarkable achievement.

All members of the team can be justifiably proud of their sustained efforts for the full ninety minutes.

The players are now starting to feel for the club and are proud to be part of the revival of the Apia Soccer team.

The times when the once great Apia teams ruled supreme in Australian Soccer is just around the corner in becoming a reality once again.

When you consider players of the calibre of Rampanti, Stone, McGinn and Skellern didn't take part in the Adelaide match, then once all our players are fit there is only one way for us to go and that is straight to the top.

Not one match in this whole competition is going to be easy for anyone. "And as it should be". For this is the premier competition in Australia.

Victory can only be achieved by a fit, skilful and dedicated team of players who consider club loyalty more important than the monetary rewards.

These young men deserve the traditional Apia support for their efforts and this responsibility lies with each and every one of us whether we be Italian, Australian or any other nationality for this is our team and don't anyone forget it.



appeal to our supporters to be patient — and the results will be forthcoming.

"Remember, we will do our part to bring the club success on the park, but you, the fans, must support us in the stands.

"Knowing our supporters I know you will do just that."



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Greg Woodhouse
Jersey No 1
(Goalkeeper)



Rosario Rampanti
Jersey No 7
(Midfield or striker)



Terry Butler
Jersey No 8
(Midfield or winger)



Andy Scott
Jersey No 9
(Central striker)



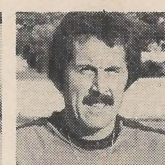
Peter Stone
Jersey No 10
(Midfielder)



John Vernon
Jersey No 11
(Winger)



Ken Reed
Jersey No 12
(Midfield or striker)



Ray Richards
Jersey No 13
(Central defender or midfielder)



Rod Skellern
Jersey No 2
(Fullback)



Warren Turnbull
Jersey No 3
(Fullback or central defender)



Eric Caruthers
Jersey No 4
(Midfielder)



Peter Wilson
Jersey No 5
(Sweeper)



Ian Rowden
Jersey No 6
(Central defender)

\$90,000 SPONSORSHIP WINDFALL FOR APIA

APIA president Nick Papallo this week announced one of the biggest ever sponsorship deals ever acquired by a Philips Soccer League club.

Vanguard Insurance Co, a member of the world-wide Generali Group, established in 1831 and now operating in five continents, have agreed to sponsor the Apia Soccer team for a three-year period with a minimum guarantee of \$90,000, which could be more than doubled under an incentive scheme.

Mr Papallo said: "We want to introduce a new concept in Soccer sponsorship.

"This is why we have devised with Vanguard Insurance an incentive scheme.

"An Apia supporter's insurance policy will be marketed, covering our members with basic insurance needs at very competitive rates.

WE COULD NET \$200,000

The Soccer club's finances will also benefit from this through a scheme we have agreed on with Vanguard Insurance, and I expect this to net us another \$200,000.

"Soccer is big business in Australia

now, and I firmly believe that only through sponsorships like this can it be further developed and strengthened."

MORE CHEQUES IN NEAR FUTURE

Dr G. Fragiocomo, general manager of Vanguard Insurance, in handing over to Mr Papallo a cheque for \$30,000 said: "We are pleased that through the Apia sponsorship our company should now reach out to the Australian soccer and sporting public.

"The insurance policy we are going to provide should be of benefit to the members of Apia and our company.

"And I hope I will be signing many more of these cheques in the near future."

POLICIES CAN BE ATTAINED AT CLUB

Members will be able to get their policies directly at the club or through well known soccer identity Tony Palumbo, whose company, TP Insurance Brokers, initiated the move that brought about the sponsorship deal between the Apia club and Vanguard Insurance.



Brian O'Donnell
Jersey No 14
(Midfielder)



Bob McGinn
Jersey No 15
(Fullback or central defender)



Robbie Drews
Jersey No 16
(Striker)



Mark Samuels
Jersey No 17
(Striker)



Dave McQuire
Jersey No 18
(Goalkeeper)

REMEMBER NEXT SUNDAY — APRIL 8 — FOURTH ROUND

PSL PREMIERSHIP MATCH

A.P.I.A. v SYDNEY OLYMPIC, 3 pm at Pratten Park

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TODAY'S LINE-UPS

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

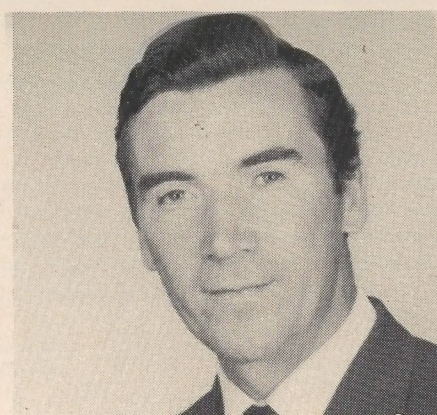
1. Phil Dando
2. Peter Willis
3. Neal Endacott
4. Craig Mason
5. Bill Summerscales
6. Roy Drinkwater
7. Lloyd Harde
8. Ian Seddon
9. Kenny Boden
10. Graham Heys
11. David Jones
12. Joe Senkalski
13. Mike Galpin
14. John Sneddon
15. Col Curran
16. Peter Tredinnick
17. Jim McBreen
18. Michael Boogaard
19. Malcolm McClelland
20. Jim Preston
21. Keith Harris
22. Brett Cowburn

A.P.I.A.

1. Greg Woodhouse
2. Rod Skellern
3. Warren Turnbull
4. Eric Carruthers
5. Peter Wilson
6. Ian Rowden
7. Rosario Rampanti
8. Terry Butler
9. Andy Scott
10. Peter Stone
11. John Vernon
12. Ken Reed
13. Ray Richards
14. Brian O'Donnell
15. Bob McGinn
16. Robbie Drews
17. Mark Samuels
18. Dave McQuire

A WORD FROM OUR MANAGER-COACH

Today's game versus Newcastle KB United will indeed be a hard fought encounter. If their play is similar to their style of last season, winning is important but not so important we forget to entertain with skilful, attractive soccer. Those of us who are directly concerned with the progress of the game in the Philips Soccer League through teaching others the right philosophy and attitudes have indeed the responsibility that must not be taken lightly. Newcastle do have some skilful players in Ken Boden and Col Curran. I understand their midfield is also young and talented. As PSL leaders Newcastle must not be underestimated by any of our players, nor given too much respect of their elevated position. Our victory last week in Adelaide was all the more meritorious because our goalscorer was 18-year-old Mark Samuels. Mark was part of a team where six of the players were Under 21 years of age (three 18-year-olds and one 19-year-old), so we are basically a young side with a long way to go. The experience of Peter Wilson is without doubt an international player and Ray Richards was of tremendous help in achieving our win in Adelaide against City.



On the Thursday before we played Adelaide City we outclassed St George 3-0 in the Ampol Cup for 3rd top position and quite rightly so. But it was disappointing they were allowed by the local federation to field half of their first team, which is quite ridiculous. It is hoped that Peter Stone and Rosario Rampanti will play today at some time during the game after missing last week's match through injury.

I trust you all enjoy today's game and we will continue to entertain with skilful, winning, entertaining soccer.

Bye for now,
Yours in sport,
Jim Adam

Al Tifoso — Da Vittorio Capelletto

Questo mio primo corsivo sull'Apia lo voglio dedicare a te sportivo. E con particolare menzione a te sportivo e tifoso della palla rotonda. A te perche' sei stato quello chepui' hai sofferto a te perche' sei stato quello chepui' a penato in questi ultimi due anni di limbo che l'Apia calcio ha dovuto soccombere. E a chi se non a te devo dedicare questo corsivo? Il Tifoso e' il primo anello di una catena che si chiama societa'. Senza di lui le societa' non esistono e non a avrebbero ragione di esistere. Dopo di Lui viene il direttivo. Viene il resto. Perche' il tifoso lo richiede. Ora Apia grazie all Macchiavellica del suo nuovo presidente Nick Papallo e' riuscita nell'impresa che sino a pochi mesi fa sembrava solo unachimera L'entrata nella leg nazionale che riporta L'Apia e la comunita' Italiana tutta, nell'orbita della comunita' Australiana. Il grande passo Papallo lo ho compiuto. Perche? Perche' ha creduto a crede in te tifoso e sostenitore granata. Perche' ha capito che le battaglie che tu ha' sostenuto per la tua squadra erano giustificate. Perche' soprattutto ha creduto che tu tifoso non abbandonarai mai la barca granata sia nella buona che nellacattiva sorte.

Sta a te tifoso granta ora dare tutto l'appoggio affinche' gli sforzi sostenuti sino ad ora non siano stati vani. Scrivete al Club. Indirizzare le lettere al sottoscritto. Proponete comsigliate, suggerite. Il club dei sostenitori deve aumentare e prosperare. Organiziamoci come fanno i nostri colleghi in Italia. L'unione fa la forza. Una forza che L'Apia ha bisogno per risorgere ai fasti di squadra di alto rango. Rango a gli appartiene. Forza Apia.

Vittorio Capelletto

TRIP TO CANBERRA

Supporters wishing to travel to Canberra to watch Apia's clash with Canberra City on April 22 at Bruce Stadium are advised that the club will be providing buses for fans at a reasonable price.

Bookings can be made at the office at the club from 11 am to 5 pm.

Supporters are reminded that they must make their bookings early for this trip, so as not to cause too much inconvenience for officials to arrange the required transport.

For further details contact Tony Raciti on 798 7267.

Cost of the bus ticket to Canberra has been provided by the club at cost. The price is \$6.00 for adults and children.

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT OUR OPPONENTS TODAY — NEWCASTLE UNITED

PHIL DANDO (goalkeeper), jersey No 1: Joined United early last year after a season with Brisbane Lions in the Philips Soccer League's first year. A former Liverpool player in England, Dando did not miss a game for United last year.

PETER WILLIS (right fullback), jersey No 2: Made 25 League appearances for United last season after joining the club from England. A former Yorkshire schoolboy trialist, Willis has experience in a number of positions and seeks the opportunity to attack down the wing.

NEAL ENDACOTT (striker), jersey No 3: After an impressive youth career at midfield-striker, Endacott started at the left fullback spot for United. However, played most of the season in a ball-winning striker position and at one stage was the youngest player to score a goal in the League.

CRAIG MASON (midfielder), jersey No 4: Thrilled the United supporters by scoring some of the most spectacular goals of the season last year. Before joining United spent five years with Arsenal and six months with Doncaster Rovers.

BILL SUMMERSCALES (central defender), jersey No 5: Left England and more than 300 League appearances with professional clubs to join United last season. A great competitor, he is almost unbeatable in the air.

ROY DRINKWATER (central defender), jersey No 6: Captained United in its first year in the Philips League last season. Had his first look at the League with Brisbane Lions in 1977. A former New Zealand player-of-the-year, Drinkwater learned and played professional football in England.

LLOYD HARDES (midfielder), jersey No 7: Capped an outstanding youth career by making his appearance in the Philips League with Western Suburbs in 1977. A Wallsend junior, he has Northern NSW representative honours to his credit. Will be sidelined this season for a while with a knee injury.

IAN SEDDON (midfielder), jersey No 8: One of United three imports, Seddon made 64 appearances with Bolton Wanderers before serving with Chester, Chesterfield, Stockport and Cambridge United. An experienced and responsible player he could prove a valuable addition to the United squad.

KENNY BODEN (striker), jersey No 9: After a sensational first season in the PSL, Boden is rated one of the League's most valuable players. He topped the League with 14 goals last year and scored another in the Cup. Was the Philips League's Soccer player-of-the-year and Soccer Action's player-of-the-year.

GRAHAM HEYS (winger), jersey No 10: A goalscoring winger from non-League

club Altrincham, Heys is tipped to be a great boon for United. Is reported to be very fast and before being secured by United was sought after by English League clubs.

DAVID JONES (anywhere on the left-hand side), jersey No 11: Jones comes to United from Macclesfield Town in the Northern Premier League in England for whom he made 150 appearances. Jones spent time as a youth player with Coventry City and Bolton and he was an English youth international six seasons ago.

JOE SENKALSKI (midfield or striker), jersey No 12: Formerly of Adamstown Rosebuds, Senkalski had one and a half seasons in the Philips League with Sydney Olympic late last season. A very skilful player, he appeared primarily as a substitute in United's late season games.

MIKE GALPIN (midfield or winger), jersey No 13: A former apprentice with Bournemouth in England, Galpin joined United as a right side player last season. A very speedy flanker, he notched four goals including two in one match against Marconi in the first round.

JOHN SNEDDON (defender or midfielder), jersey No 14: Joined United last year purely as a defensive midfielder. One of the success stories of the United camp, he was thrust into the midfield in an emergency situation and performed admirably.

COL CURRAN (left fullback), jersey No 15: One of the most experienced and definitely the most travelled member of the United squad, Curran's career appeared to peak in 1974 when he represented Australia in the World Cup finals in West Germany. He was one of United's outstanding players last season after returning to Newcastle from Western Suburbs.

PETER TREDINNICK (winger), jersey No 16: An Australian Under-19 Youth International, Tredinnick burst on the PSL scene last year after joining the club from Lake Macquarie. Made the left wing spot on his own late in the season and quickly caught the attention of Soccerroo boss Rudi Gutendorf.

JIM McBEEN (midfield or striker), jersey No 17: The outstanding player in the northern NSW premiership for the past two seasons, McBeen was instrumental in assisting Edgeworth to the 1977 grand final and its unbeaten performance last season.

MICHAEL BOOGAARD (central defender), jersey No 18: A member of Rudi Gutendorf's Under 19 squad and an Australian schoolboy international, Boogaard has been a fixture of Northern NSW rep sides for some seasons. Played in United youth side last year after joining from Lake Macquarie.

MALCOLM MCCLELLAND (midfield), jersey No 19: A former Macquarie team-

mate of Peter Tredinnick, McClelland joined United this season after a year with Adamstown. A first year student at the University of Newcastle, he attracted national attention by walking out of the Australian Under-19 training camp early this year. Has since made his peace with Gutendorf and looks to have a real future in the PSL ranks.

JIM PRESTON (goalkeeper), jersey No 20: Joined United this year from Scottish League Club, Queens Park, where he played a full season in the first team. A former Scottish amateur selection, Preston spent his youth period with Celtic Amateurs and Clyde Boys Club.

KEITH HARRIS (striker), jersey No 21: One of United's off-season additions, Harris was spotted by Alan Vest during a coaching course. He came straight from Northern NSW second division club, Westlakes, to the PSL ranks in one of the quickest promotions in recent soccer memory, with a reputation as a great finisher.

BRETT COWBURN (midfield), jersey No 22: Was regarded by Northern observers as a surprise omission from the Australian Under-19 side. That was a blessing in disguise for United who were keen to sign him from Northern first division club, Toronto. Cowburn has the comeliness that comes with skill.

A.P.I.A. SUPPORTERS CLUB

Have you ever heard of Manchester United's Stretford End, The Kop at Liverpool and Milan's Fossa De Leoni and Commandos Tigre?

Most soccer enthusiasts would have heard of all the above three.

Apia as from today at Wentworth Park intends introducing something very similar.

The three stands opposite the scoreboard side of the ground have been set aside for the exclusive use of members of the Apia Supporters Club.

All Apia supporters are welcome to seat themselves in these three stands.

But we would like to point out that they will be used solely by supporters who intend to support their club vocally.

For those of our supporters who want a quiet afternoon watching the game, we suggest the use of any of the four other major stands at the ground.

Whether our supporters are located in the Apia Supporters Club stands, we would hope that no matter where our other supporters are situated at the ground, that they still support their side vocally.

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